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**NOTIFICATION OF LOSS OF ENTITLEMENT TO  
SMALL ENTITY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.27(g)(2)**

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with C.F.R. § 1.27(g)(2), Applicants hereby notify the United States Patent and Trademark Office that small entity status is no longer appropriate for the above-referenced patent matter.

Any inquiry regarding this matter may be directed to the undersigned representatives.

Respectfully submitted,

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By his attorney,

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